

Abstract

Diploma thesis: Legal regulation of protection of animals against cruelty

This diploma thesis deals with national and transnational legal regulation of the protection of animals against cruelty. It comprises of four chapters. First chapter concerns ethical grounds of given issue and it provides analysis of term „animal welfare“. Second chapter contains the most significant transnational legal rules of the protection of animals against cruelty adopted within the Council of Europe or the European Union. Third chapter includes national legal rules. It defines basic terminology, determines fundamental principles and considers certain sections on the basis of classification of animals according to the Act on Protection of Animals against Cruelty, No. 246/1992 Coll. It summarises sanction legal options and related practice. The last fourth chapter describes legal regulation of this sphere in Ireland, particularly with emphasis on newly passed Animal Health and Welfare Act 2013.